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9:30 a.m.

Cooperative Graduate Programs
School of Arts & Sciences • School of Health Sciences

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"Elgar <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
National AnthemPresentation of Colors <i>Show Me GOLD Color Guard</i>
Welcome and Introductions.	Dr. Alan Marble <i>Interim President, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Commencement Speaker	Betsy Banks Saul '89 <i>Founder, Petfinder.com</i>
Presentation of Class	Dr. Pat Lipira <i>Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Conferring of Graduate Degrees	Dr. Alan Marble
Master's Hooding.	Dr. Richard Miller <i>Dean, School of Arts & Sciences, Missouri Southern State University</i>

Presentation of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees

Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees	Dr. Alan Marble Presentation of Diplomas
Introduction of Degree Candidates	Mr. Jeff Skibbe <i>General Manager, 88.7KXMS/Fine Arts Radio International, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Congratulatory Remarks	Dr. Joy Dworkin <i>President, Faculty Senate, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Announcement of Academic Honors	Dr. Pat Lipira
Turning of the Tassel	Mr. Mark Lloyd, '99 <i>Dean of Engagement and Retention President, Missouri Southern Alumni Association Board of Directors</i>
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 24)	Amelia Markley <i>K-12 Vocal and Instrumental Music Education, Joplin</i>
Recessional "Sine Nomine"	R.V. Williams & E. Rosenberg <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Sign Language Interpreters.	Andrew Cummings & Morgan Ratliff

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Cooperative Graduate Programs • Robert W. Plaster School of Business
School of Education • Bachelor of General Studies

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Master's Hooding **Dr. John Groesbeck**
Dean, Robert W. Plaster School of Business, Missouri Southern State University
Dr. Al Cade
Interim Dean, School of Education, Missouri Southern State University

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About Our Speaker

Betsy Banks Saul, founder of Petfinder.com, is responsible for setting more than 25 million adoptions in motion.

With a vision to change the way the public viewed shelter pets, Betsy harnessed the infant technology of the Internet in 1996 and molded it into one of the most successful web businesses to date. The first site of its kind, Petfinder – which she describes as a social profit company – is still on a mission to see that no pet is euthanized for lack of a home and to increase the value of the family pet.

Currency on Petfinder is “lives saved” and profitability is measured in increasing the effectiveness of the shelter and rescue worker. Almost 18 years of consistent and steady growth (in adoptions, traffic and revenue), even in the face of turbulent “dot bomb” and recession years, translated to more than 5 million unique visitors each month and more than 2 million adoptions annually during her time at Petfinder. Betsy was named by Woman’s Day magazine as one of 50 “Women Who are Changing the World.”

In 2005, Betsy co-founded PetVideo.com, which became the adoption and training video initiative of Petfinder and AnimalPlanet.com. In 2006, media giant Discovery Communications acquired Petfinder.com in what Ad Age magazine called one of the “best (and sweetest) acquisitions of the year.” She continued to serve Petfinder – focusing on strategy, partnerships and public relations – until its acquisition by Nestle Purina in 2013.

Beyond Petfinder, Betsy’s attention is focused on broad-scale progress. She is co-founder and chairman of the board of the Petfinder Foundation and serves on the board for the Alliance for Contraception in Cats and Dogs and LoveAnimals.org. She also serves on the expert panel for Dognition, on the advisory board for the Wake County SPCA and on the board of overseers for Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University. She’s now bringing the same innovation and social entrepreneurship she brought to Petfinder to promote change to the vet community with a new start-up venture, Heal House Call Veterinarian.

Betsy received her bachelor’s degree with a minor in chemistry from Missouri Southern State University in 1989. She received her master’s in forest ecology from Clemson University in 1993.

Prior to creating Petfinder, she worked as an urban forester for the state of New Jersey, as an agriculture extension agent at Rutgers University, a park ranger at Wrangell-St. Elias National Park in Alaska, and as a field scientist for the Army Corps of Engineers in South Carolina.

Betsy prides herself in having friends in high and low places, so her family includes a diversity of animals ranging from the very large (like Missy, a black Angus cow who likes to have her belly rubbed) to the diminutive Sydney, a box turtle who recently learned to recognize his name.



Cooperative Graduate Programs

Missouri Southern State University/Missouri State University

Master of Arts in Teaching

Garber, Stephanie Dawn
Teaching
Carthage

Graham, Lisa Diane
Teaching
Seneca

Henson, Sarah D.
Teaching
Joplin

Norman, James Goeres
Teaching
Joplin

Walker, Amanda Leigh
Teaching
Carl Junction

Missouri Southern State University/Southeast Missouri State University

Master of Science in Criminal Justice

Cavender, Shannon Rene
Criminal Justice
Parsons, KS

Stewart, Matthew Lawrence
Criminal Justice
Seneca

Vandel, Jenna Sue
Criminal Justice
Trenton

Welker, Michele Lynn
Criminal Justice
Altenburg

McPike, Jessica Nicole
Criminal Justice
Poplar Bluff

Turk, Ethel
Criminal Justice
Sikeston

Vise, Sara
Criminal Justice
Dexter

Missouri Southern State University/Northwest Missouri State University

Master of Business Administration

Warren, Rhonda Michelle
Business Administration
Neosho

The first graduates of the cooperative graduate programs received diplomas at Missouri Southern State University during the spring 2006 ceremony. This milestone was possible when MSSU and Northwest Missouri State University collaborated to combine their resources and expand higher education opportunities in Southwest Missouri and the Four-States region.

In addition to Northwest, MSSU has since forged partnerships with Missouri State University, Southeast Missouri State University, University of Missouri-St. Louis and the University of Missouri-Kansas City to unite efforts to deliver the programs with traditional classroom teaching and state-of-the-art distance learning tools using faculty from each of the universities.

Effective August 2003, the Missouri General Assembly passed legislation giving Missouri Southern State University the opportunity to offer joint graduate programs in cooperation with other public four-year institutions in the State of Missouri (RSMo 173.005). The Coordinating Board for Higher Education oversees implementation of the cooperative programs to ensure the most efficient use of state resources and the highest quality of advanced educational opportunities.

During the ceremony, the presentation of the academic hood to master's degree recipients represents a compelling, highly symbolic moment in both the candidates' lives and in the commencement ceremony. The hooding ceremony for the cooperative graduate programs at MSSU signifies a scholarly and personal achievement. Colors of the hoods were carefully selected to represent both institutions and the corresponding fields of study.

MSSU will continue to develop these and other programs in order to fulfill its mission and to meet the needs of the growing population and economy of the region.

Candidates for Honors & Degrees

Baccalaureate Degrees

Summa Cum Laude Grade point average 3.90 or above

Blanchard, Heather	Goben, Keli	McDaniel, Taylor ‡	Shouse, Jamie
Cacioppo, Emily *	Gooder, Lance ‡	McGriff, Lydia †	Smith, Katlyn
Carr, Casey ‡ †	Henady, Stephen	Miller, Lindsey	Stamper, Ruth
Chambers, Sarah †	Jenisch, Megan	Phillips, Jeri *	White, Olivia *
Cobb, Stephanie	Jennings, Stephanie ‡ *	Pollock, Madison ‡	Wright, Jordanne ‡ †*
Coleman, Tricia	Jones, Jessica ‡*	Roberts, Molly	Wu, Xiaoyu
Collingsworth, Faith †	Mandeville, Savannah	Schwab, Zachary ‡	
Fortner, Connie *	McCall, Jason ‡	Scofield, Jonathan	

Magna Cum Laude Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Agee, Samuel	Gibbs, Austin †	Mills, Lucas	Purcell, Beth
Aguinaga, Hailey	Greninger, Shonna *	Money maker, Julie *	Rice, Rachel
Alumbaugh, Logan	Haley, Jessica	Morgan, Krystal	Roelfsema, Erin
Arnold, Matthew	Henson, Chasity †	Ohmart, Natasha	Starr-Kercheval, Chase *†
Brock, Devri	Jammeh, Agie Mai	Penn, Christina	Storm, Preston
Corum, Thomas	Lee, Jennifer *	Pisanti, Michael	Triplett, Whitney
Delmont, Zach	Lettow, Hope	Pollard, Jillian	Warren, Daisha
Francis, Abigail †	LeMasters, Joshua *	Prabhu, Saanika	Weaver, Michael †
Fuller, Mallory	Lucas, Jesse *	Pulliam, Cody	

Cum Laude Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Adams, Jansen †	Donaldson, Diana	Lantz, Tanya	Starkey, Barton*
Arwood, Michelle	Endicott, Rebecca	Michael, Rachel	Thurston, Amanda
Bal, Leanne	Ghan, Brady †	Morgan, Lea	Tighe, Lonnie
Basnet, Ankit †	Haas, Taylor †	Oserowsky, Grant	Vrba, Meghan
Boley, Joshua	Heckart, Deanie	Prochnow, Corey	Welch, Charles
Burney, Bethany	Herlihy, Matthew	Replogle, Lauren	Whited, Karissa
Caldwell, Courtney	Jones, Carie	Schulte, Anna	Williamsen, Jami
Carroll, Emily	King, Marci	Shanahan, Tiffany	Winningham, Tyler
Coggeshell, Lee	Kress, Lorraine	Shockley, Steve	Zoltanski, Samantha

Associate Degrees

First Honors • Grade point average 3.90 or above

Birdwell, Alyssa	Cacioppo, Emily	McCall, Jason ‡
Bollinger, Kristen	Goben, Keli	Schwab, Zachary ‡
Brust, Alicia *	Jennings, Stephanie ‡	White, Olivia

Second Honors • Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Haley, Jessica	Mills, Lucas	Pulliam, Cody
Lucas, Jesse	Morgan, Krystal	Warren, Daisha

Third Honors • Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Aden, Rachel	Carroll, Emily	Kress, Lorraine	Schulze, Kelsey
Bell, Natalie	Cline, William	Prochnow, Corey	Williamsen, Jami

9:30 a.m.

Cooperative Graduate Programs
School of Arts & Sciences • School of Health Sciences

School of Arts and Sciences
Bachelor of Arts

Akers, Sarah Danielle

Art-Visual
Kansas City

Archer, Susan JoAnn

Political Science
Baxter Springs, KS

Basnet, Ankit Singh †

English- Literary Studies
Nepal

Besett, Preston Forrest *

Music
Webb City

Breaux, Victoria Anne

Spanish
Galena, KS

Brisco, Kendra Shirlene

Art-Graphic
Cassville

Brock, Devri Jade

Theater
Carl Junction

Caldwell, Courtney Allison

Art-Graphic
Carl Junction

Clay, Shonté Marsette

Communication-Mass
Chicago, IL

Coggeshell, Lee Alexandria

English-Creative Writing,
English-General Writing,
English-Literary Studies,
English-Professional/
Technical Writing
Joplin

Cox, Heather Elaine

Spanish
Carl Junction

Delmont, Zachariah Benjamin

History
Joplin

DeNisco, F. Clint Michael

Communication-Mass
Mt Vernon

Dominguez, Mayra Lizbeth

Spanish
Carl Junction

Duncan, Mary Katherine

Communication-Public Relations
Joplin

Ferguson, Raymond Michael *

Communication-Speech
Tulsa, OK

Francis, Abigail Marlene †

Art-Graphic
Webb City

Haas, Taylor Douglas †

Political Science
Carthage

Henderson, Trenten Xavier

English-Creative Writing
Mt Vernon

Hendrick, Andrew Joseph

French, Music
Joplin

Jammeh, Agie Mai

French, International Studies
Gambia

Jones, Jessica Elisabeth†*

Spanish
Oronogo

Jones, Meagan Elizabeth

Art-Graphic
Carthage

Keith, Camalla Louise

English-Prof/Tech Writing
Joplin

Koon, Stephanie Diane

English-Prof/Tech Writing
Webb City

Kritikos, Rex Emmanuel

Spanish
Carthage

LaVite, Catherine N.

Art-Graphic
Anderson

Mandeville, Savanah B.

English-Literary Studies,
English-Professional/Technical Writing
Carterville

Muralles, Evelyn A.

Spanish
Neosho

Neill, Dusty Sue

Spanish
Joplin

Oden, Justin Andrew *

Art-Visual
Stella

Odenbrett, Ryan C.

Theater
Exeter

Pollock, Madison Emily†

English-Creative Writing
Joplin

Purcell, Beth Marie

German
Joplin

Railsback, Abigail Lynn

Theater
Neodesha, KS

Rice, Rachel Lyanne

Spanish
Joplin

Shumaker, Molly Jo †

Chemistry
Neosho

Smart, Torwin Alyse

Music Industry
Coffeyville, KS

Spicer, Dylan J.

Communication- Mass
Joplin

Stamper, Ruth M.

English-Literary Studies
Carl Junction

Warren, McKenzie Marie

English- General Writing
Neosho

Wu, Xiaoyu

Communication- Mass
China

Zoltanski, Samantha Christine

Communication-Mass
Bridgeton

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Baughner, Garrett Matthew

Art- Studio
Webb City

Friend, Melanie Gale

Art-Graphic
Wyandotte, OK

Hodgin, Melinda K.

Art-Studio
Joplin

Still, Austin Grant

Art-Studio
Carthage

Davis, Brennan David

Art-Graphic
Webb City

Hall Ford, Jacee Paige

Art-Graphic
Webb City

McDonald, Jacque L.

Art-Studio
Reeds

Tegenkamp, Marlee Jean

Art-Graphic
Raymore

Bachelor of Science

Ashworth, Chasity LaDawn

Criminal Justice Administration
Sheldon

Boyd, Keegan Christopher

Biology
Hollister

Carr, Casey James ‡ †

Biology
Neosho

Deras-Landa, Jose

Biology
Carthage

Austin, Samuel Edward *

Criminal Justice Administration
Grove, OK

Boyer, Johnny Lee

Political Science
Joplin

Carroll, Emily Anne

Criminal Justice Administration
Cassville

Divine, Piper LeeAnn

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Baker, Joel Eric *

Chemistry
Neosho

Brothers, Dalton Lawrence †

Biochemistry
Joplin

Chaffin, Brett Dean

Criminal Justice Administration
Lebanon

Donaldson, Diana Sue

Sociology
Pierce City

Barr, Luke Andrew †

Mathematics
Joplin

Brown, Jacob Levi

Biology
Neosho

Chambers, Sarah Nicole †

Sociology
Carthage

Doss, Nathan Ray*

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Blizzard, Darcy Kay

Biochemistry
Joplin

Bruner, Dawn Michele

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Chandler, Nathan Robert

Sociology
Joplin

Evans-Churchwell, Edythe Rebecca

Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Carl Junction

Boley, Joshua J.

Communication-Mass
Cassville

Burke, Keaton Alexander

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Clarkson, Christine Eilene*

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Featherstone, Meghan Rae

Biology
Joplin

Bottoms, Katherine Marie

Criminal Justice Administration
Fayetteville, AR

Burney, Bethany June

Mathematics
Schell City

Coley, Kara V. *

Criminal Justice Administration
Monett

Fowler, Dexter Earl

Criminal Justice Administration
Highland, CA

Bounous, Brook B.

Biology
Verona

Cantrell, Ashley Rae

Biology
Joplin

Convirs, Trevor Dewayne

Mathematics
Miami, OK

Fox, Brittany L.

Criminal Justice Administration
Indianapolis, IN

Boyd, Ashley Nicole

Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Neosho

Carmona, Briana Cassandra *

Criminal Justice Administration
Rogers, AR

Cox, Michael L.

Criminal Justice Administration
Carl Junction

German, April M.

Biochemistry, Biology
Joplin

Ghan, Brady Marcus †

Sociology
Clever

Gilmet, Jessica Carrick

Sociology
Nevada

Golden, Jeff M.

Physics-Engineering
Ridgecrest, CA

Hagenson, Heather Louise

Criminal Justice Administration
Nevada

Haire, Demon R.

Criminal Justice Administration
Atlanta, TX

Hamilton, Jacob Stephen

Communication- Mass
Joplin

Hardy, Whitney Dorene

Communication-Mass,
Communication-Public Relations
Dixon

Harper, Darlene Elizabeth

Sociology
Joplin

Heidlage, Jennifer Rene

Sociology
Pierce City

Henson, Chasity Brooke †

Physics
Carthage

Houk, Lauren Alicia

Biology
Neosho

Jaggars, Zachary Kyle

Mathematics
Joplin

Jenisch, Megan Michelle

Biology
Ozark

Kalbfleisch, Tyler Daniel

Criminal Justice Administration
Kansas City

Kress, Lorraine Andria Kathleen

Criminal Justice Administration
Riverton, KS

Kurtz, James R.

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Lang, Terry Wayne

Criminal Justice Administration
Riverton, KS

LaPlante, Lindsey Katherine

Criminal Justice Administration
Brooklyn Park, MN

Larimore, Jordan Leland

Communication-Mass
Joplin

Ledgerwood, Sara Michelle

Criminal Justice Administration
Cassville

Lettow, Hope Caroline

Sociology
Spring Valley, CA

Linn, Rachel Ann

Biology
Neosho

Maiden, Casey Marie

Biochemistry Forensics, Biology
Kennewick, WA

Marsellis, Sydney E.

Communication-Public Relations
Owasso, OK

Martell, Jeremy James

Environmental Health
Rocky Comfort

McCall, Jason Ryan ‡

Criminal Justice Administration/
CIS-Computer Forensics
Joplin

McCoy Jr., Michael Ross

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

McGrew, Emily R.

Sociology
Shawnee, KS

Michael, Rachel Lee

Biology
Eagle Rock

Miller, Amanda Elizabeth *

Criminal Justice Administration
El Dorado Springs

Miller, Dean A.

Criminal Justice Administration
Golden City

Miller, Lisa Renee *

Sociology
Neosho

Montgomery, Kurt B.

Communication- Mass
Lee's Summit

Montgomery, Trevor D.*

Biology
Lawrenceburg, IN

Moore, Evan

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Moreno, Andrew Michael

Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Riverton, KS

Morgan, Krystal Rae

Criminal Justice Administration
Cassville

Mosley, Dominique Nicole *

Criminal Justice Administration
Chicago, IL

Nagy, Mykael L.

Environmental Health
Carl Junction

Newman, James Heath

Criminal Justice Administration
Monett

Newman, Matthew Spur

Biology
Jasper

Overfelt, Natalie Louise

Biology
Webb City

Padilla, Ryan Christian

Biology
Neosho

Peters, Matthew Robert

Criminal Justice Administration
Pittsburg, KS

Pope, Leslie Regina

Criminal Justice Administration
St Louis

Pope, Trevor Ethan

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Power, Jamie Lea

Criminal Justice Administration
Cainsville

Prince, Debbie Darlene

Criminal Justice Administration
Bella Vista, AR

Prochnow, Corey James

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Pulliam, Cody Wayne

Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Joplin

Rector, Cory R.

Communication-Mass
Duenweg

Reinert, Starri Monica *

Sociology
Lamar

Rigdon, Victoria Ann

Sociology
Reno, NV

Rogers, Jonathan Jerrell *

Biology
Fort Worth, TX

Roningen, Jennifer Renee *

Criminal Justice Administration
Richland

Russell, Ryan Alan

Criminal Justice Administration
Nixa

Samaraweera, Dona Gayani Sathsaranee

Biology
Sri Lanka

Schwab, Zachary Jordan ‡

Criminal Justice Administration
Fort Scott, KS

Scofield, Jonathan David

Math/CIS-Computational
Math
Carthage

Serrano, Celeste G. *

Sociology
Bentonville, AR

Shafer, Whitney Leann

Biology
Galena, KS

Shelton, Sara Lee *

Criminal Justice Administration
Miami, OK

Shumaker, Molly Jo †

Biochemistry
Neosho

Singleton, Terriyine R.

Criminal Justice Administration
Harvey, LA

Skidmore, Heather Ann *

Biology
Seligman

Sonis, Shiloh Koman

Communication-Mass
Neosho

Spencer, Elizabeth Ann

Communication-Public Relations
Diamond

Stanley, Britni Rae

Criminal Justice Administration
Kansas City

Starkey, Barton Ward *

Mathematics
Webb City

Steen, Terry J.

Biology
Joplin

Taber, Victoria Ann

Communication-Public Relations
Baxter Springs, KS

Talbert, Jordan Madison

Biology
Little Rock, AR

Thomas, Donterrius Lamar

Criminal Justice Administration
Leland, MS

Tighe, Lonnie Jean

Environmental Health
Carl Junction

Tran, Huyen Thi

Biology
Carthage

Tucker, Alicia Nicole

Communication-Public Relations
Neosho

Ulrich, Bridget Nicole *

Biology
Jackson

Vang, Victor

Criminal Justice Administration
Springdale, AR

Venson, Bryant M.

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Wallace, Jackie Renee *

Criminal Justice Administration
Orlando, FL

Wallace, Michael Ray

Criminal Justice Administration
Greenwood, AR

Ward, Eugene Morris

Sociology
Joplin

Warren, Daisha Kristeen

Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Pea Ridge, AR

Watson Jr., James Edward

Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry
Neosho

Weaver, Michael Dennis †

Biology
Joplin

Webb, James Andrew

Communication-Mass
Webb City

Weisacosky, Camie Janae

Criminal Justice Administration
Mt Vernon

Welch, Charles Eli

Biology
Joplin

Weller, Leslie Michelle

Mathematics, Physics
Neck City

Werner, Tyler Dale

Criminal Justice Administration
Nevada

Whilchy, Michael P.

Physics
Venezuela

Wicklund, Kyle Thomas *

Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Willis II, Eric Lamont

Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Wilson, Ashley Charie

Biology
Independence

Wilson, Deborah Ariel *

Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Winningham, Tyler M.

Sociology
Carthage

Winters, Jessica Belle *

Sociology
Neosho

Witt, Spenser Leonard

Biology
Monett

Wright, Jordanne N. *‡ †

Biology
Seneca

Wyrick, Dixie Raye

Criminal Justice Administration
Mt. Vernon

Younes, Mike

Criminal Justice Administration
Lebanon

Associate of Science

Ashworth, Chasity LaDawn
Law Enforcement
Sheldon

Austin, Samuel Edward *
Law Enforcement
Grove, OK

Bottoms, Katherine Marie
Law Enforcement
Fayetteville, AR

Boyd, Ashley Nicole
Law Enforcement
Neosho

Bruner, Dawn Michele
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Burke, Keaton Alexander
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Carmona, Briana Cassandra *
Law Enforcement
Rogers, AR

Carroll, Emily Anne
Law Enforcement
Cassville

Chaffin, Brett Dean
Law Enforcement
Lebanon

Clarkson, Christine Eilene *
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Cline, William Lawrence
Law Enforcement
Diamond

Coley, Kara V. *
Law Enforcement
Monett

Cox, Michael L.
Law Enforcement
Carl Junction

Divine, Piper LeeAnn
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Doss, Nathan Ray *
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Evans-Churchwell, Edythe Rebecca
Law Enforcement
Carl Junction

Fowler, Dexter Earl
Law Enforcement
Highland, CA

Fox, Brittany L.
Law Enforcement
Indianapolis, IN

Guzman, Kyle Anthony
Law Enforcement
Lee's Summit

Hagenson, Heather Louise
Law Enforcement
Nevada

Haire, Demon R.
Law Enforcement
Atlanta, TX

Harrington, David Paul *
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Kalbfleisch, Tyler Daniel
Law Enforcement
Kansas City

Kress, Lorraine Andria Kathleen
Law Enforcement
Riverton, KS

Kurtz, James R.
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Lang, Terry Wayne
Law Enforcement
Riverton, KS

LaPlante, Lindsey Katherine
Law Enforcement
Brooklyn Park, MN

Ledgerwood, Sara Michelle
Law Enforcement
Cassville

Mahl, Cody Steven
Law Enforcement
Freistatt

McCall, Jason Ryan ‡
Law Enforcement
Joplin

McCoy Jr., Michael Ross
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Miller, Amanda Elizabeth *
Law Enforcement
El Dorado Springs

Miller, Dean A.
Law Enforcement
Golden City

Moore, Evan
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Moreno, Andrew Michael
Law Enforcement
Riverton, KS

Morgan, Krystal Rae
Law Enforcement
Cassville

Mosley, Dominique Nicole *
Law Enforcement
Chicago, IL

Newman, James Heath
Law Enforcement
Monett

Peters, Matthew Robert
Law Enforcement
Pittsburg, KS

Pope, Leslie Regina
Law Enforcement
St Louis

Pope, Trever Ethan
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Prince, Debbie Darlene
Law Enforcement
Bella Vista, AR

Prochnow, Corey James
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Pulliam, Cody Wayne
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Roningen, Jennifer Renee *
Law Enforcement
Richland

Russell, Ryan Alan
Law Enforcement
Nixa

Schwab, Zachary Jordan ‡
Law Enforcement
Fort Scott, KS

Shelton, Sara Lee *
Law Enforcement
Miami, OK

Singleton, Terriyine R.

Law Enforcement
Harvey, LA

Stanley, Britni Rae

Law Enforcement
Kansas City

Thomas, Donterrius Lamar

Law Enforcement
Leland, MS

Vang, Victor

Law Enforcement
Springdale, AR

Venson, Bryant M.

Law Enforcement
Joplin

Wallace, Jackie Renee *

Law Enforcement
Orlando, FL

Wallace, Michael Ray

Law Enforcement
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Carthage

Cecil, Samantha Nicole
General Studies
Joplin

Cobble, Clay Dylan *
General Studies
Joplin

Colclazier, Kathryn Lea *
General Studies
Springfield

Combs Jr., Gary Russell
General Studies
Webb City

Conklin, Bailey Lorene
General Studies
Webb City

Cornish, Nancy Lyn
General Studies
Joplin

Corum, Thomas Merel
General Studies
Carl Junction

Culp, Stephanie Marie
General Studies
Lamar

Danner, Tara Michelle
General Studies
Joplin

Eis, Jeremy Scott
General Studies
Joplin

Farris, Paul
General Studies
Joplin

Fitzwater, Jerald W.
General Studies
Hollister

Freeman, Shenel Nicole
General Studies
Joplin

Gibbs, Austin Clark †
General Studies
Wright City

Gilmore, Lyddia Dawn
General Studies
Joplin

Golden, Annie M.
General Studies
Carthage

Gourley, Heather Elaine
General Studies
Miller

Hall, Shaela Marie
General Studies
Joplin

Hanner, Dawn Lee
General Studies
Carthage

Helms, Marki Faye
General Studies
Joplin

Henady, Stephen William
General Studies
Joplin

Honey, Kimberly S.
General Studies
Webb City

Horsley, Demond D.
General Studies
Joplin

Howe, Tosha Nicole
General Studies
Carl Junction

Jones, Caleb Heath
General Studies
Neosho

Lane, Jacqueline Ann *
General Studies
Neosho

Link, Jessica Renee
General Studies
Joplin

Love, Grace Elizabeth
General Studies
Joplin

Magee, Gregoryshon D.
General Studies
New Orleans, LA

Mason, Sharon Annette *
General Studies
Joplin

Miller, Joshua Lee
General Studies
Arlington, TX

Nehls, Kamri C.
General Studies
Joplin

Norbury, Kristi Michelle *
General Studies
Carthage

Obermann, Sarah Lynn
General Studies
Carthage

Ogle, Mark David
General Studies
Nevada

Pherigo, Timothy Eugene
General Studies
Neosho

Rich, Wendy *
General Studies
Joplin

Roberson, Amber Nicole
General Studies
Neosho

Russo, Patrick Ryan
General Studies
Joplin

Shouse, Jamie Lee
General Studies
Joplin

Stanley, Megan Lauren
General Studies
Webb City

Stone, Levi Todd *
General Studies
Anderson

Tate, Susan N. *
General Studies
Joplin

Tignor, Carey Jo
General Studies
Carl Junction

Tisdale, Lucille Jane
General Studies
Joplin

Graduates Who Have Studied Abroad

As provided by the Department of International Studies

Adams, Jansen
England/France

Agee, Samuel
Italy/China

Akers, Sarah
Japan

Aldridge, Hannah
British Virgin Islands

Arasme, Rosa
France

Barnes, Lyndsey
British Virgin Islands

Barr, Luke
England/France

Besett, Preston
Italy

Blackmon, Donna
France

Boyd, Keegan
China

Breaux, Victoria
Ecuador

Brock, Devri
Costa Rica

Bruner, Dawn
England/France

Burney, Bethany
England

Caldwell, Courtney
England/France

Cantrell, Ashley
Belize

Chambers, Sarah
Finland

Coggeshell, Lee
England

Collingsworth, Faith
Ecuador

Culp, Stephanie
Ireland

Daugherty, Michelle
China

Delmont, Zach
England

Deras Landa, Jose
Belize

Dodd, Amanda
British Virgin Islands

Dyer, Jeffrey
France/Germany/Switzerland

Francis, Abigail
Sweden

Ghan, Brady
England/France

Gibbs, Austin
Costa Rica

Gourley, Heather
England/France

Haas, Taylor
Belize

Hanner, Dawn
Italy

Henderson, Trenten
France

Hendrick, Andrew
France

Hernandez, Veronica
Italy

Hodgin, Melinda
Lithuania/Sweden

Houk, Lauren
Belize

Jammeh, Agie Mai
France

Jones, Meagan
Sweden

Kalbfleisch, Tyler
England/France

Koch, Whitney
Italy

Kritikos, Rex
Spain

Lantz, Tanya
Belize

Lee, Jennifer
Italy

Maiden, Casey
Costa Rica

Mandeville, Savannah
England

McDonald, Jacque
Sweden

McGriff, Lydia
England

Montgomery, Kurt
France

Morgan, Lea
Canada

Neill, Dusty
Ecuador

Nixon, Candice
France

Norbury, Kristi
France/Spain

Paryzek, Lexy
Italy

Pollock, Madison
France

Purcell, Beth
Germany (two trips)

Shafer, Whitney
British Virgin Islands

Shellenbarger, Kylie
China

Shumaker, Molly
Germany

Smith, Katlyn
France/Switzerland

Spencer, Elizabeth
France

Stamper, Ruth
France

Stanley, Britni
England/France

Starr-Kercheval, Chase
Belize

Stephens, Ashley
Italy

Tinney, Kaitlin
Italy

Tran, Huyen
Belize

Triplett, Whitney
Germany

Tucker, Alicia
France

Walters, Eryn
England/France

Weaver, Michael
Honduras

Williams, Debbie
Italy

Wingo, Ronda
France

Wright, Jordanne
Germany

Zoltanski, Samantha
France

ALMA MATER

Words by Mary Laird,
Class of '39

Music by Emerson Jackson,
Class of '39



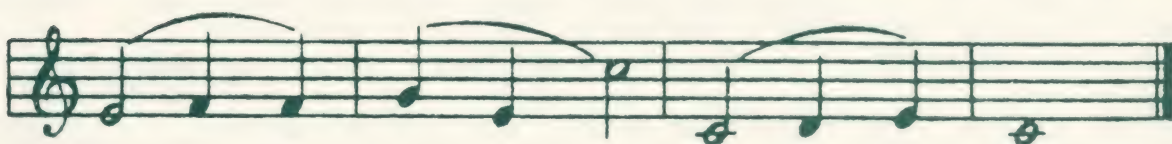
Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.

Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley, and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.

Points of Pride



New partnership forged

An articulation agreement between Missouri Southern State University and St. Charles Community College to promote the Environmental Health & Safety program was signed on April 9.

"It's not just an articulation agreement. It's more of a partnership," said Dr. Michael Fletcher, professor of biology and environmental health.

The degree is structured to teach students about the science of preventing physical, chemical or biological hazards from adversely impacting human health or the environment. Students in the Environmental

Health program who pass their senior assessment exam obtain their bachelor's degree as well as their Certified Environmental Health Specialist credentials with the state of Missouri.

The degree program requires 45 core hours of courses. The general education and science classes will be completed at the community college, with the environmental health courses from Missouri Southern offered online. Exams from those courses will be proctored by faculty at the community college near St. Louis.

"The changes to the Environmental Health degree program are a great example of the university's ongoing Continuous Quality Improvement efforts," said Interim President Dr. Alan Marble. "This partnership increases the value of the degree and allows students to better market themselves to potential employers.

"This agreement will increase the program's numbers while allowing students at St. Charles Community College to obtain the degree without leaving their own campus."



Governor's Award for Excellence in Education

Dr. Mike Lawson, a member of the Biology Department faculty at Missouri Southern State University, was selected to receive the 2014 Governor's Award for Excellence in Education.

The annual award is presented to an outstanding faculty member from each of Missouri's four-year higher-education institutions. At Missouri Southern, nominations are brought forward and discussed by the Deans Council, which then selects the recipient.

The courses Lawson teaches include microbiology, anatomy and physiology and principles of biology. "There's certainly a lot of very deserving and excellent faculty here on this campus," he said. "To be honored like this has been very flattering, and I'm especially honored to have been nominated for this

by some of my colleagues. That makes it more special."

Before coming to Missouri Southern 23 years ago, Lawson spent 19 years teaching high-school science in the Golden City, Sarcoxie and Carl Junction school districts.

He said he made the transition to teach at the college level in part for the chance to work with students who wanted to teach science.

"I love seeing that light bulb light up when students understand something ... when they make that connection, assimilate concepts and understand the true meaning of what we're talking about," said Lawson. "Those are the kind of things that excite me about my students."



Study in China scholarship recipient

Matthew Roy, a junior international studies major from Carthage, has been awarded a \$10,000 Study in China Scholarship by the Chinese Ministry of Education in Beijing.

Roy, who is minoring in Chinese and serving as president of the Asian Club at Missouri Southern, will attend the Communication University of China (CUC) in Beijing during the 2014-15 academic year. Missouri Southern and CUC have had a partner relationship since 2004.

Ten American undergraduate students attending American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) member institutions were awarded the scholarships, which provide tuition, room and board, health insurance, conference fees and a stipend.

The other scholarship recipients are from Bowling Green State University, Western Kentucky University, California State University-Long Beach, Indiana University-Kokomo, the University of North Georgia, New Jersey City University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and the University of Southern Indiana.



Hall of Fame induction

Dr. Pat Lipira was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame on April 24 as part of the organization's Women in Sports Luncheon.

Lipira is the winningest coach in Missouri Southern State University history (total wins across all sports). She coached the Lions' softball team from 1982-2000 and the volleyball team from 1981-1987. She has a 632-275 (.697) overall record as a softball coach, but compiled a 439-162 (.730) mark while the Lions were members of the MIAA. In her 12 seasons as a softball coach in the MIAA, Lipira guided the Lions to six Regional Championship appearances, two Regional Championships, four MIAA Championships and an NCAA National Championship in 1992.

A five-time MIAA Coach of the Year and two-time Regional Coach of the Year, she was the National Coach of the Year in 1992. She ranks 18th all-time in NCAA history for winning percentage (.697) and her 632 wins rank 29th all-time in NCAA history. While the volleyball coach at Southern, Lipira racked up 265 wins, the second-most in school history in a short seven seasons.

She joins former coaches Warren Turner (baseball), Tom Rutledge (track and field/cross country) and former All-American football player Rod Smith as Missouri Southern representatives in the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.



Stamper



Steddum



Pollock

English majors invited to convention

Three Missouri Southern English majors – Ruth Stamper, Kristine Steddum and Madison Pollock – were invited to read original works during the annual Sigma Tau Delta International Convention in Savannah, Ga.

Stamper won first prize in her category and was awarded \$600. As well as being invited to present two separate pieces of work, Steddum awarded the only Part-Time Undergraduate Scholarship for \$2,500.

The convention receives an average of 20,000 entries each year, but only 500 to 600 are invited to present. Missouri Southern has consistently sent at least two individuals to the convention every year.

The 2014 conference was especially important for Missouri Southern, as it also marked the 35th anniversary of the Joplin Sigma Tau Delta chapter.

Academic Attire and Regalia Cords

As early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of churchorders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods represented in MSSU ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

Brown: Fine Arts • **Crimson:** Journalism • **Dark Blue:** Philosophy • **Golden Yellow:** Science

Lemon Yellow: Library Science • **Light Blue:** Education • **Pink:** Music

Purple: Law • **Sage Green:** Physical Education • **Scarlet:** Theology • **White:** Arts, Letters, Humanities

Yellow Brown: Commerce, Business, Accountancy

Regalia Cords


Alpha Chi: Gold • **Veteran's:** Red, White, and Blue • **Honors Program:** Green • **Athletics:** Green and Gold

Nursing Honor Society, Sigma Theta Tau: Lavender and White

Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Sigma Phi Alpha: Purple and Gold

Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma: Blue and Gold

Respiratory Therapy Honor Society, Lambda Beta: Navy Blue and Green



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